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SUBJECT: OPERATION "SHOESTRING": BASEBALL AS DIPLOMACY

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1. AMBASSADOR MET AUGUST 2 WITH MOST OF DOMINICAN GROUP WHO ATTENDED ALL-STAR GAME IN PITTSBURGH. THEIR REACTION WAS MOST FAVORABLE, REPLETE WITH IDEAS FOR FURTHERING AND EXPANDING SUCH AN EXCHANGE. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE DEPT'S ASSISTANCE IN ENLISTING THE HELP OF THE PITTSBURGH CIVIC GROUP, COSERV.

2. AS DEPT AWARE, NONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN TO THE US AND COMING FROM THE POORER CLASSES OF SANTO DOMINGO, QUITE PROBABLY WOULD NOT OTHERWISE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO IN THEIR LIFETIME. THREE OF THE PARTICIPANTS ARE UNIVERSIDAD AUTONOMA (UASD) STUDENTS AND THIS SPORTS EXCHANGE PROGRAM MAY PROVIDE US WITH ANOTHER ARROW IN OUR QUIVER AS WE CONTINUE TO ADDRESS OUR RELATIONS WITH THAT UNIVERSITY.

3. DURING THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS WE SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO EXAMINING HOW BEST WE MIGHT INSTITUTIONALIZE THIS TYPE OF EXCHANGE AS AN ADJUNCT TO THE ESTABLISHED INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM. ONCE WE HAVE SORTED THINGS OUT HERE, WE SHALL PROVIDE THE RESULTS TO THE DEPT FOR ITS VIEWS, SUGGESTIONS AND POSSIBLE SUPPORT FROM CU/IAP AND FROM THE PARTNERS OF THE AMERICAS.
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